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FM AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7041

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BEXP, TW

SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: COPPER ALLOY STRIP PLANT

REF : STATE 9992; TAIPEI 4698

1. SUBJECT TENDER WILL BE ANNOUNCED IN MID-DECEMBER 1975, AND BE HANDLED THROUGH CENTRAL TRUST OF CHINA (CTC). END-USER IS CENTRAL BANK OF CHINA. WESTERN ENTERPRISE, A LOCAL TRADING FIRM WITH MUCH EXPERIENCE IN HANDLING LOCAL GOVERNMENT TENDERS, WISHES TO REPRESENT A U.S. FIRM IN THIS BID. IT IS THE ONLY FIRM TO DATE REQUESTING POST ASSISTANCE IN LOCATING U.S. SUPPLIERS. IT SHOULD BE NOTED, HOWEVER, THAT U.S. FIRMS MAY SUBMIT THEIR BIDS DIRECTLY TO CTC, ALTHOUGH EMBASSY WOULD RECOMMEND THAT BID PROCESS BE HANDLED BY LOCAL FIRM WHO CAN FOLLOW EVERY STEP OF BID PROCESS AND CAN OFFER ON-THE SPOT INFORMATION AS REQUESTED.

2. AWARD OF TENDER HAS BEEN REVISED ON GROUP BASIS. GROUP 1: THREE SETS OF MELTING FURNACE AND THREE SETS HORIZONTAL CONTINUOUS CASTING PLANT. GROUP 2: ONE SET OF ROUGH ROLLING MILL AND ONE SET FINISH ROLLING MILL. GROUP 3: ONE SET BELL TYPE BRIGHT ANNEALING FURNACE. GROUP 4: ONE SET OF SIDE TRIMMING MACHINE. ONE COPY OF REVISED TENDER SPECIFICATIONS AIRMAILED DOC 091575.

3. TOTAL VALUE OF PROJECT IS ABOUT US\$6 MILLION. COMPETITION IS NOW SEEN FROM W. GERMANY'S ILLIES UNCLASSIFIED

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ENGINEERING GMBH, HAMBURG, WHO HAS A BRANCH OFFICE

IN TAIPEI.

4. TAIWAN METAL MINING CORP. (TAIMETAL) TOLD EMBASSY  
REP THAT THEY ARE NOT INVOLVED WITH THIS TENDER, BUT  
WILL ONLY SUPPLY METAL MATERIALS TO CENTRAL MINT OF  
CHINA. AT THE SAME TIME, TAIMENTAL HAS AN EXPANSION  
PROJECT UNDERWAY, AS WELL AS A NEW PLANT. A STUDY  
REPORT ON THE NEW-PLANT HAS BEEN MADE BY AN U.S. ENGINEERING  
FIRM - PARSONS.  
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